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ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION

JUNE 7, 2004
9:00 A.M.

ROOM 159

AGENDA

Call to Order--Roll Call. (Council Members Fitzpatrick and Dowe arrived late.)

A communication from Mayor Ralph K. Smith requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

Approved (5-0)
File #132

A communication from Council Member Alfred T. Dowe, Jr., Chair, City Council Personnel Committee, requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss the performance of two Council–Appointed Officers, pursuant to Section 2.2–3711(A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

Approved (5–0)
File #132

A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss the disposition of publicly–owned property, where discussion in open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body, pursuant to Section 2.2–3711 (A)(3), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

Approved (5–0)
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Items listed on the 2:00 p.m. Council docket requiring discussion/clarification; and additions/deletions to the 2:00 p.m. docket. (15 minutes)

Topics for discussion by the Mayor and Members of Council. (30 minutes)

- Liaison Committee Assignments.
- Agenda items for the joint meeting of Council and the Roanoke City School Board on Tuesday, July 6, 2004, at 9:00 a.m.

Briefings:

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| • Citizen Survey | – | 20 minutes |
| • Bond Refinancing Update | – | 15 minutes |
| • Zoning Ordinance Update | – | 15 minutes |
| • Financial System Replacement Update | – | 15 minutes |

THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS TO BE RECONVENED AT 2:00 P.M., IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, FOURTH FLOOR, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING.



*ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION*

*JUNE 7, 2004
2:00 P.M.*

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

AGENDA

1. Call to Order--Roll Call. (Council Members Harris and Wyatt were absent.)

The Invocation was delivered by The Reverend Maurita Wiggins, Pastor, Valley Community Church Divine Science.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mayor Ralph K. Smith.

The Mayor called for a moment of silence in memory of the late President Ronald Regan.

Welcome. Mayor Smith.

NOTICE:

Meetings of Roanoke City Council are televised live on RVTV Channel 3. Today's meeting will be replayed on Channel 3 on Wednesday, June 9, 2004, at 7:00 p.m., and Sunday, June 13, 2004, at 4:00 p.m. Council meetings are offered with closed captioning for the hearing impaired.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

THE PUBLIC IS ADVISED THAT MEMBERS OF COUNCIL RECEIVE THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA AND RELATED COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, ETC., ON THE THURSDAY PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL MEETING TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR REVIEW OF INFORMATION. CITIZENS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN OBTAINING A COPY OF ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA MAY CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, ROOM 456, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W., OR CALL 853-2541.

THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE PROVIDES THE MAJORITY OF THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ON THE INTERNET FOR VIEWING AND RESEARCH PURPOSES. TO ACCESS AGENDA MATERIAL, GO TO THE CITY'S HOMEPAGE AT WWW.ROANOKEGOV.COM, CLICK ON THE ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL ICON, CLICK ON MEETINGS AND AGENDAS, AND DOWNLOAD THE ADOBE ACROBAT SOFTWARE TO ACCESS THE AGENDA.

ALL PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ARE REQUESTED TO REGISTER WITH THE STAFF ASSISTANT WHO IS LOCATED AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. ON THE SAME AGENDA ITEM, ONE TO FOUR SPEAKERS WILL BE ALLOTTED FIVE MINUTES EACH, HOWEVER, IF THERE ARE MORE THAN FOUR SPEAKERS, EACH SPEAKER WILL BE ALLOTTED THREE MINUTES.

ANY PERSON WHO IS INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A CITY COUNCIL APPOINTED AUTHORITY, BOARD, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT 853-2541, OR ACCESS THE CITY'S HOMEPAGE AT WWW.ROANOKEGOV.COM, TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION.

2. PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

Proclamation declaring the month of June 2004 as Homeownership Month.

File #3-178

Proclamation declaring June 19, 2004 as Juneteenth Festival Day.

File #3

The Mayor presented a Star Award to Roy L. Webber Florist in recognition many years of service to the Roanoke community.

File #80

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Approved (5-0)

ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

- C-1 A communication from Kirk A. Ludwig tendering his resignation as a member of the Human Services Advisory Board.

File #15-72-110

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Accept resignation and receive and file the communication.

- C-2 Qualification of the following persons:

Darlene L. Burcham for a term commencing March 2, 2004 and ending March 1, 2007; and Robert C. Lawson for a term commencing March 2, 2004 and ending March 1, 2008, as members of the Board of Directors, Western Virginia Water Authority; and

Gregory M. Cupka as a Commissioner of the Roanoke Redevelopment and Housing Authority to fill the unexpired term of Joseph F. Lynn, resigned, ending August 31, 2007.

File #15-110-178-468

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file.

REGULAR AGENDA

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE.

5. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS: NONE.

6. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

a. CITY MANAGER:

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:

1. Transfer of \$328,932.00 from the Roanoke Arts Commission Agency Funding Advisory Committee in connection with 2004-05 agency funding requests and allocations.

Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 36705-060704. (5-0)
File #60-230

2. Appropriation of capital fund interest earnings in connection with the Downtown Family YMCA and Roanoke River Greenway projects.

Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 36706-060704 and Resolution No. 36707-060704. (5-0)
File #60-100-379

3. Execution of an agreement with the Roanoke Foundation for Downtown, Inc., for the City of Roanoke Mounted Patrol Unit.

Adopted Resolution No. 36708-060704. (5-0)
File #5-277

4. Execution of an agreement with the Roanoke Valley Convention and Visitors Bureau to provide funds for marketing the Roanoke Valley as a convention and destination tourism site.

Adopted Resolution No. 36709-060704. (5-0)
File #293-336

5. Amendment of the City Code to redefine annual leave cutoff.

Adopted Ordinance No. 36710-060704. (5-0)
File #24-184

6. Authorization to file a petition to rezone City-owned property located at the northeast corner of Blue Hills Drive and Orange Avenue, N. E., identified as Official Tax No. 7160113.

Adopted Resolution No. 36711-060704. (5-0)
File #51

The City Treasurer reported that as of May 31, 2004, \$15.6 million was collected by the City Treasurer's Office representing personal property tax payments.
File #34-79

b. DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. Financial Report for the month of April 2004.

Receive and File.
File #10

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES: NONE.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. Amended petition in connection with the request of Fudds of S.W.VA., Inc., that property located at 3659 Orange Avenue, N. E., Official Tax No. 7110122, be rezoned from RS-3, Residential Single Family District, to C-2 General Commercial District, subject to certain conditions proffered by the petitioner. R. Brian Townsend, Director, Planning, Building and Development.

Adopted Ordinance No. 36712-060704. (5-0)
File #51

9. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: NONE.

10. MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

- a. Inquiries and/or comments by the Mayor, Vice-Mayor and Members of City Council.

Council Member Cutler commended the City's Utility Department, specifically Michael McEvoy, Director, and Carol Davit, Environmental Communications Coordinator, for their roles in connection with a publication by the Western Virginia Land Trust entitled, *Saving Your Land and Water, Carvins Cove Watershed and Catawba Valley*, which was sent to all residents of the Carvins Cove and Catawba Valley areas.

File #268-330-417-529

- b. Vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council.

11. HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS:

CITY COUNCIL SETS THIS TIME AS A PRIORITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD. MATTERS REQUIRING REFERRAL TO THE CITY MANAGER WILL BE REFERRED IMMEDIATELY FOR RESPONSE, RECOMMENDATION OR REPORT TO COUNCIL.

Mr. Robert Gravely, 729 Loudon Avenue, N. W., expressed concern in regard to low wages for City employees, racism, housing, funds expended by the City for economic development in downtown Roanoke, etc.
File #66

12. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:

The City Manager called attention to a photo contest for the 2005 Municipal Calendar and encouraged citizens to participate by submitting photographs of people, places and activities within the community that demonstrate the livability of the City of Roanoke. Photographs will be accepted between June 1 and August 1, with 13 photographs to be selected.
File #104

Council reconvened in the Council's Conference Room for updates on the Zoning Ordinance and bond refinancing and one closed session requested by the City Manager to discuss a matter involving disposition of publicly-owned property where discussion in open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION. (5-0)